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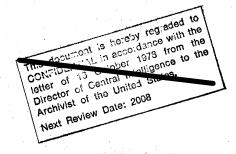
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ORIGIN

1. The Paraguayan firm of Margalejo and Dos Santos, with offices at Calle Florida 259, Buenos Aires, has been acting as a purchasing agent for the Morinigo Government of Paraguay, in an effort to obtain arms and other supplies from Argentina. However, they have only succeeded in obtaining some medical supplies and surgical instruments.

- 2. This firm also maintains an office in Asumcion at Calle Convencion 277. Up until 1945 the branch in Buenos Aires was known as Agencia Guarani, and as such had a reputation for being a center of Paraguayan political espionage in Argentina. Its activities along this line were primarily concerned with watching Paraguayan political endies. Under its present name of Margalejo and Dos Santos it is still a meeting place for Morinigo sympathizers.
- 3. The two partners in the firm are Enrique Emilio Margalejo and Heribert; Toribio Dos Santos, both of whom have been in Euenos Aires for about five years. Margalejo was formerly Paragusyan Commercial Attache in Buenos Aires for two years, and Dos Santos is a former Paraguayan naval officer.

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